

grosseserratus Martens, which is sufficiently unusual in New England to warrant noting a new station. It was found in Auburn, Worcester Co., Mass., in 1944 by Miss Ethel G. Upham. There are two colonies in a moist meadow adjoining a brook and a large area of *Typha angustifolia*, about opposite no. 850 Southbridge Street, in the part of the town called West Auburn. The following summer, Dr. & Mrs. Burton N. Gates located the stands and collected further specimens.

The writer of this short note wishes to thank Dr. M. L. Fernald who has called his attention to the following facts. Labels of this species in the Gray Herbarium and the Herbarium of the New England Botanical Club frequently bear notations indicating that its occurrence here is as an escape from cultivation. In Gray's Synoptical Flora (1884) it was known eastward only to Ohio. In Gray's Manual, ed. 6 (1890), its eastern limit was still given as Ohio. Dr. Fernald states that it has been spreading in New England since 1894. In 1914, Hoffmann collected it in Stockbridge, but apparently thought it not well established, as he did not include it in his Flora of Berkshire County, Mass. (1922). Harger, in Flowering Plants and Ferns of Conn. (1910) comments that it is "probably introduced," an opinion which is confirmed in the Supplement (1930).

As the occurrence of this *Helianthus* is still very limited in New England, it will be interesting to note its further spread.—FRANK C. SEYMOUR, Lancaster, Mass.

RHODODENDRON CAROLINIANUM NATURALIZED IN NEW ENGLAND.—Though many plants from the Southern Appalachian Mountains grow well when moved to New England, few apparently make themselves sufficiently at home to reproduce by seed. It was with surprise and pleasure that I found literally hundreds of self-sowed plants of *Rhododendron carolinianum* Rehd. scattered as far as fifty yards from five established bushes in an ornamental planting at Norfolk, Connecticut. These reproductions are of various ages with some already arrived at flowering size. The oldest is perhaps seven or eight years old, and during these years a record low temperature of -27° F. was established.—H. LINCOLN FOSTER, Norfolk, Conn.

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